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) Engaged Elements and Methods of
) Maintaining the Elements together Using
) the System
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) Group Art Unit: 3677
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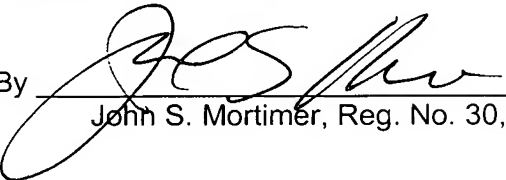
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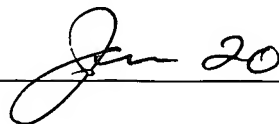
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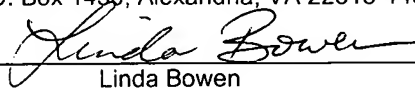
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